## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 88**

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A RESOLUTION to commemorate National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

WHEREAS, in 2010, the month of January was designated as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, our nation wrestled with the issue of slavery in a way that nearly tore us apart — its fundamental notion in direct contradiction with our founding premise that we are all created equal; and

WHEREAS, today, in too many places around the world, including here in the United States, the injustice of modern slavery and human trafficking still tears at our social fabric; and

WHEREAS, from factories and brothels to farms and mines, millions of men, women, and children in the United States and around the world are exploited for their bodies and their labor; and

WHEREAS, during National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, we must resolve to shine a light on every dark corner where slavery and human trafficking still threaten the basic rights and freedoms of our fellow humans; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we join with our fellow Tennesseans as they observe National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month and applaud the many efforts across our nation to end slavery and human trafficking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.